

AFTER THE U. P. ROAD WITH SHARP STICK

SENATORS CRITICISE ROAD'S MANAGEMENT.

Charges of Corruption and Dishonesty Made By Pettigrew and Morgan—Discussion of Civil Service in the House—New Rifles For Militia

Washington, Dec. 23.—The senate was unexpectedly diverted Tuesday from Cuba to the Pacific railroads. Soon after the session opened Mr. Pettigrew (S. D.) called up his resolution relative to the trust notes of the Pacific railroads. He made a terrific onslaught on the Pacific railroad system in general, charging that a combination of private interests was seeking to absorb the roads and close out the government. Mr. Morgan (Ala.) followed with a bitter arraignment of the Pacific roads, charging them with fraud and crime on a gigantic scale. The speech lasted until shortly before 2 o'clock, when the morning hour expired, thus sending over the Cuban question until after the holidays.

Mr. Pettigrew's resolution is to appropriate \$10,000,000 to take up the trust notes of the Union Pacific railway. He declared his belief that the Union Pacific was not and is not insolvent, and that the floating debt was created for the purpose of complicating and embarrassing the government liens.

Mr. Gear (rep., Iowa), chairman of the committee on Pacific roads, asked if Mr. Pettigrew favored the operation of these roads by the government.

The South Dakota senator answered that certainly the government could not possibly manage the Pacific roads worse than they had been managed. He believed the government should take possession and operate the Union Pacific road and its branch lines.

Mr. Morgan (dem., Ala.) particularly desired to see the interests of the people of the Pacific coast protected against a combination of those two vast influences—the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific—under private control. The Union Pacific had enough in its treasury to pay the interest on the first mortgage bonds, and yet it came to congress as a bankrupt and mendicant asking for pity. It was not only paying interest on its own bonds, but was paying dividends to British bondholders. Three roads were pursuing what had become a fixed policy in railroad management in the United States—the running down and wrecking of roads in order to manipulate them.

Mr. Morgan proceeded at considerable length, urging that it was of supreme importance that these roads should not fall into private hands, particularly the hands of foreign bondholders. It was coming to the point that an American stockholder in an American railroad was a curiosity.

Mr. Gear spoke briefly, urging speedy action on the Pacific railroad question, and saying he would seek to secure some headway immediately after the holidays. He announced that if a quorum of the senators was here during the recess meetings would be held to inquire into questions which had been raised. Mr. Pettigrew's resolution was then referred to the committee on Pacific railroads.

The senate then adjourned to Jan. 5, 1897.

OPPOSITION TO CIVIL SERVICE.

Administration of the Law Is Criticized in the House.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The house Tuesday passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, and then adjourned for the holiday recess. This is the first time in the history of congress that the legislative bill has been passed before the holidays.

The day was devoted to the annual debate of the civil-service law, and the attempt to strike out the provision for the commission was overwhelmingly defeated. Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil-service committee, defended the law. Others who participated in the debate were Messrs. Baker (rep., N. H.), Walker (rep., Mass.), Williams (dem., Miss.), Bowers (rep., Cal.) and Neill (dem., Ark.). Mr. Settle (rep., N. C.), made the motion to strike out the paragraph relating to the civil-service, which was defeated—29 to 62. The bill as passed carries \$21,669,369.02, \$36,379 more than the current bill. During the morning hour, a bill was passed authorizing the railroads of the Indian territory to change their alignments.

During the debate the senate amendments to the urgent deficiency bill were concurred in.

At 3:40 p. m., the house adjourned until noon, Jan. 5.

New Rifles for the Militia.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Chairman Marsh of the house committee on militia made a favorable report on the senate bill authorizing the secretary of war to issue to governors of the several states and territories such number of Springfield breechloading rifles of 45 caliber as are required for arming all of the regularly armed and equipped militia of each state and territory that are not supplied with this arm. The bill has passed the senate.

Berlin, Germany, Called.

London, Dec. 23.—Hon. George Edward King has been gazetted British commissioner for the Bering sea arbitration.

WEYLER GOES TO THE FRONT.

Will Resume Personal Command of the War in Pinar del Rio.

Havana, Dec. 23.—Capt.-Gen. Weyler left Havana at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning on board the Spanish cruiser Legazpi, bound for Mariel, north of the military line, across the province of Pinar del Rio, with the intention of resuming personal command of the operations against the insurgents in that part of Cuba.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 23.—A special to the Commercial-Tribune from Key West, Fla., says Gomez is advancing rapidly and it is thought that Weyler will, if possible, prevent his coming to the gates of Havana. It is stated from Cuban sources that the Cuban leader is wild over the murder of his only son and his beloved chief lieutenant and is burning to revenge their fall. The Cubans in the army are infuriated also. Dr. Zertucha is a marked man, too, and it is reported that a move has been made to abduct him. He is now in a fortress some miles from Havana with a strong Spanish guard.

Strong insurgent bands are now so close to Havana that the Spanish soldiers seldom venture far out of the gates of the city except in strong force.

To Exterminate the Family.

Mankato, Minn., Dec. 23.—A wholesale murder was committed at Madelia, a small town twenty miles west of here, late Monday night. John Mottel shot and killed Dennis J. Joblinski, the latter's son, aged 19, and a daughter, aged 16. A fourth person was badly wounded. The slayer then put a bullet through his own head. Mottel was infatuated with Joblinski's daughter and the father objected. The murderer was 25 years old.

Paucity Among the Convicts.

New York, Dec. 23.—A special to the World from Elmira says five destroyed two buildings at the state reformatory, entailing a loss of about \$100,000. The buildings destroyed were occupied by the F. H. Mills Company, which manufactured plumbers' and cabinet supplies. There was great excitement among the convicts, and every corridor was doubly guarded.

Homicidal Lunatic Caught.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—John Easter, who attempted last Saturday, at Hamilton, to kill ex-Governor James E. Campbell, Peter Schwab and others, is in the Columbus jail. He tried to jump from the train en route to Columbus, and was landed raving like a maniac. He asserts that Mr. Campbell and Mr. Schwab, to whom he is related, have defrauded him.

Kate Field's Body to Be Cremated.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—The remains of Miss Kate Field arrived from Honolulu on the steamer Belgic. Arrangements are now being made for incineration, and memorial services will be held in Trinity Episcopal church. The ashes will be sent for final interment to Mount Auburn.

Mrs. Hilton Dying in Poverty.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Hanna M. Hilton, widow of the late Judge George H. Hilton, once a prominent lawyer in Cincinnati, was found on her deathbed in this city, where she is living in poverty. Mrs. Hilton is 63 years old and has been a helpless invalid for two years.

Bessie Little Trial.

Dayton, O., Dec. 23.—In the Frantz murder trial Tuesday Miss Mollie Carter testified that the prisoner wrote her love letters and offered to marry her. She received a love letter renewing this offer on the day Bessie Little was murdered. The state then rested its case.

Mr. W. H. Hatch Is Very Ill.

Hannibal, Mo., Dec. 23.—Ex-Congressman W. H. Hatch is lying at the point of death at his home near this city. His attending physicians say that he may linger two or three days, or he may die at any hour. He is suffering from Bright's disease.

Freight Train Wrecked.

Boone, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Freight train No. 20 on the Chicago & Northwestern was wrecked nine miles east of here. Fireman James Tracey of Clinton was killed and Engineer Andrew Sill was seriously injured. A switch had been turned, accidentally or by design.

Harrison's Watch Returns.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—Several weeks ago Gen. Harrison's house was robbed of a gold watch belonging to his wife. He offered a reward for its recovery, and Tuesday he received a package from Chicago containing the watch.

Poison in Canned Cheese.

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Twenty-five members of Captain Parker's detachment of cavalry were poisoned last night from eating canned head-cheese. Four of them are reported to be in a critical condition.

Gunboat Annapolis Completed.

New York, Dec. 23.—The United States gunboat Annapolis was launched from Nixon's shipyard, Elizabeth, N. J., this morning.

Have \$200,000 at Stake.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—Boston banks, it is learned, have about \$200,000 locked up in the National Bank of Illinois. They expect to receive all that is due them.

BLAMED ZERTUCHA FOR MACEO'S DEATH

CUBANS CLAIM HE POISONED THE GENERAL.

Belief That the Leader and Thirty of His Followers Were Victims of Treachery—Spanish Prisoners Will Be Shot as Soon as Taken—The War.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 23.—Advices from Havana state that the latest story current among the Cubans in Havana is that Maceo, and Gomez, and 30 others, including five Americans, were poisoned by Dr. Zertucha, who sold himself to Weyler and Ahumada. It is stated that the bodies were recovered by Baldomero Acosta, the insurgent leader, and subjected to a medical examination, which proved that poison had been administered in large quantities.

So enraged are the Cubans by the treacherous manner in which Maceo was slain that it is said the leaders are determined to retaliate. It is reliably stated that orders have been issued to insurgent troops to show no quarter in the future. This means that the methods of the Spaniards in shooting all prisoners will be followed, and in consequence, the war will become the most sanguinary ever known.

WAGE SCALE FIXED.

State Board of Arbitration Settles Athens Miners' Controversy.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—Some time ago the miners employed by the Wash Coal Mining company, No. 2, and the Athens Coal Mining company, located at Athens, Menard county, struck for an increase in pay from 32 1/2 cents to 35 cents per ton. After remaining out for some time the mine owners and the miners determined to submit the matter in controversy to the state board of arbitration. Last week the board heard testimony and Tuesday made public its decision. It is: That for mining coal by hand the price shall be 33 1/3 cents per gross ton; that loaders, drillers and shooters shall be paid 20 cents per ton gross; and loaders only, 12 1/2 cents per gross ton. Wages paid for mining in machine mines are to remain the same as before.

It was further adjudged that the new scale of wages shall date from the 1st day of December, 1896.

MINERS ALL SAVED.

Men Employed in Baltimore Mine Are Accounted For.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 23.—A canvass of the homes of miners employed in the Baltimore mine, where the explosion occurred Monday, shows that all the men escaped. It was at first supposed that four or five had been caught in that portion of the mine where the explosion occurred, but now all have been accounted for. The men who were taken out are getting along nicely. The hospital physicians report that all their patients are doing well. There is a small fire burning in the mine, but the officials hope to have it under control before long. Everybody is rejoicing over the gallant work of the rescuers.

Commission's Report Ready.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 23.—The United States and Canadian deep-waterway commissioners separated Tuesday. Dr. Angell, chairman of the commission, said: "Our report will be ready at the close of this meeting. Its future will depend upon the action of the secretary of state, to whom it will be submitted. The contents of the report must be made public only from Washington."

Steel and Iron Men Meet.

New York, Dec. 23.—Another meeting of the steel and iron men was held Tuesday. The meeting adjourned after a session lasting three hours, and it was officially announced that no agreement had been reached. The next meeting is subject to the call of the chair. When or where it will be called are mere matters of conjecture.

Pennsylvania Shops Kept Open.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 23.—George L. Potter, superintendent of motive power of the Pennsylvania Company, has rescinded the order to close the shops here until Jan. 4. Work was resumed this morning. This is a pleasant surprise to the 700 men who expected to be laid off for a protracted period.

Women Suffragists Dine.

New York, Dec. 23.—About 200 members of the New York City Woman's Suffrage League and their guests partook of the fifth annual dinner of the Pilgrim Mothers at the Tuxedo Tuesday. Lillie Devereaux Blake, who presided, delivered an address of welcome. Many interesting papers were read.

Mr. McKinley Goes to Canton.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. William McKinley left this city at 11:30 o'clock last night in a private car attached to the regular train on the Pennsylvania road. They went direct to Canton.

Brazil's Claim on Venezuela.

London, Dec. 23.—In Brazilian quarters here it is denied that Brazil has any claim on the Venezuelan territory as stated in a dispatch from Buenos Ayres.

SPAIN HIDES FACTS FROM THE PEOPLE

ALARMING SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Reported Spanish Victory Now Said to Have Been a Defeat—Spain Hopes to Float a Big Loan Before the Truth in the Matter is Known.

London, Dec. 23.—A Madrid dispatch to the Daily Mail says: "In order to insure the success of the next loan, the government is straining every nerve to conceal the true situation in the Philippines. The whole colony is in revolt, and scattered bodies of Spanish troops have been hemmed in by the rebels. It is rumored that a certain proportion of German reserve officers are in the insurgent ranks."

SPANIARDS BEATEN.

True Accounts Received of an Alleged Victory for Spain.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—Private advices from the Philippine Islands, concerning the attack by the Spanish troops on the Noveleta Ishmus, and the attempt to dislodge insurgents from Cavite and Viejo, reached here Tuesday, and are confirmed by Hong Kong papers on the steamer Belgic.

At the end of the campaign, which lasted until Nov. 14, the Spanish authorities sent out dispatches reporting that the attack had been successful, and that the rebel loss was very heavy. The Spanish claimed to have lost about thirty-five killed and 100 wounded. It is now learned that the great victory that the Castilians claimed ended in ignominious defeat. The rebels held Noveleta against warships and troops. The Spaniards retired after suffering heavy loss.

Shooting at Louisville, Ky.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 23.—A. J. Speckert, president of the German-American Title company, which failed last summer with liabilities of several hundred thousand dollars, Tuesday night fired four shots at J. C. Eiseleman, president of the Kentucky-Montana Mining company, wounding him slightly in the side. Eiseleman is Speckert's brother-in-law and has been bitterly attacked by the latter in connection with the Title company failure. Speckert's mind is believed to be unbalanced.

Drill Saved Their Lives.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—The fire drill in which the children of the public schools are drilled almost daily proved a very good thing Tuesday at school No. 3, West Indianapolis. The building took fire, and though there was something of a panic among the children at first, the teachers quickly rallied them and the building was emptied in good order within five minutes.

Allen's Sensation Collapses.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Members of the senate fail to develop any interest in the resolutions introduced by Senator Allen a few days ago looking to an investigation of the presidential election. Mr. Allen's resolution was based on the fact that the vote in the agricultural states of the Mississippi valley had shown an enormous increase, and not on any specific charges.

Hopes of Hawaiians Rising.

Honolulu, Dec. 15.—(Per steamer Belgic to San Francisco, Dec. 23.) Letters from Minister Hatch at Washington and Minister Cooper at Boston recount interviews with congressmen and speak most hopefully of annexation. Mr. Hatch predicts that the annexation question will be brought up at the special session next spring.

Discuss Cleveland's Message.

Madrid, Dec. 23.—The cabinet meeting considered President Cleveland's message so far as it dealt with the Cuban question, and also measures for the coast defense and an increase of the fleet. The cabinet decided at a session not to make any reply to President Cleveland's message through diplomatic channels.

Gold Ore of Fabulous Wealth.

Deadwood, S. D., Dec. 23.—There is much excitement at Deadwood over the great strike of ore at Rag. The ore continues to show evidence of fabulous wealth. It is the richest of the Black Hills, and hundreds are flocking to the scene.

Made Sick by Wheat Cakes.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23.—Five members of the family of F. M. Roberts were poisoned by eating cakes made of prepared wheat flour. It is doubtful if they will recover.

Moons Starts East.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—Bob Fitzsimmons, accompanied by his family, started for New York last night. Fitzsimmons will proceed to New York, where he will sign the articles of agreement for his fight with Corbett.

University Building Dedicated.

Bondale, Ill., Dec. 23.—Tuesday handsome new building of the Northern Illinois State Normal University was dedicated with impressive ceremonies in the presence of a large assemblage.

ST. PAUL BANKS FAIL.

Two Institutions Go Down—Depositors May Be Protected.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 23.—The Bank of Minnesota, one of the oldest banking institutions of the state, failed to open its doors Tuesday morning, the state bank examiner, M. D. Kenyon, having taken charge. A few minutes after noon the Union Stock Yards Bank of South St. Paul, a branch of the Bank of Minnesota, also closed its doors. The failure of the two banks caused great surprise in business circles, as they were regarded as among the strongest in the northwest. The deposits, time and individual, of the Bank of Minnesota, were over \$2,100,000.

It is said by officers of the Bank of Minnesota that depositors would lose nothing, and that arrangements would probably be made to carry on the bank's business. This may be done through the efforts of the stockholders, all of whom are wealthy men, and are reported as willing to advance the funds necessary to put the institution on a sound basis.

Southern Men Demand a Tariff.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the Lumber Manufacturers' association, attended by many of the largest mill owners of Georgia, Florida and Alabama, resolutions were adopted urging upon congress the necessity of affording protection to the lumber industries by a tariff upon Canadian and other foreign lumber. A specific duty of \$2 per 1,000 feet is asked for, this being virtually a return to the duty under the McKinley tariff.

Murdered His Sister.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—John Ryan, a peddler living at 45 Lowell street, killed his sister with a baseball bat Tuesday afternoon. He then set fire to the flat and left the building. The woman was found in the kitchen a few minutes later. The police were called and Ryan was taken to the Maxwell street police station. The police say he is insane.

Kentucky Race War Imminent.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 23.—Reports reach here from Mayfield, Ky., where the negro, Jim Stone, was lynched Monday, that a race war is imminent. The town is said to be guarded by bodies of armed men against a threatened attack by negroes to avenge Stone's death. Mayfield and neighboring towns are greatly excited by the recent violence in that part of the state.

Faction Barriers Thrown Down.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 23.—The silver democrats held a primary Tuesday for the purpose of nominating county officers to be voted for nearly a year hence. The most significant feature of the returns is that about one-third of the gold democrats who bolted in November accepted the olive branch which had been offered them and participated in the primaries.

Caught After a Long Search.

Monmouth, Ill., Dec. 23.—A telegram from Detective Stephen O'Brien of New York city caused the arrest in this city of a man known here as Joseph L. Grace, elsewhere known as Joseph L. Harris, Merritt, Unwright, alias Winright. He is charged with arson in New York, and admits that he is the man wanted.

Want Higher Tar on Tin Plate.

Pittsburg, Dec. 23.—The United States Tin Plate association has decided that no change in the present price should be recommended. A committee was appointed to appear before the way and means committee of congress to for an advance in the tariff on tin plate.

Attack Americans.

Bangkok, Dec. 23.—A number of Siamese soldiers attacked and wounded F. V. Kellett, United States vice consul general here. They demanded the release of a consular clerk, who, it alleged, had been unjustly arrested. The Siamese government promises to make an inquiry into the incident.

Wants European Intervention.

London, Dec. 23.—A special dispatch from Paris says that it is suggested that Great Britain, France and Italy, the three powers most interested, offer their services in the Cuban question in order to prevent a conflict between Spain and the United States and to terminate the revolt.

French Army to Be Increased.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The cabinet council has decided to introduce a bill which has already been approved by the superior council of war, to establish a fourth battalion in infantry regiments, which would increase the fighting strength of the army by 160,000 men.

Engineer and Fireman Killed.

New York, Dec. 23.—Engineer John W. Bogart and Fireman U. G. Halleck of an Erie local train out of Jersey City Tuesday night were killed near Fish Creek on the Hackensack meadows by the derailling and ditching of their engine.

Does Not Know Maceo Is Dead.

New York, Dec. 23.—The following dispatch has been received by the New York World: "Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 22.—I have not received any confirmation of the death of my husband, reported by Spaniards.—Mrs. Maceo."

GEORGE B. MAYNARD CALLED BY DEATH

WELL KNOWN BELLOIT MAN IS NO MORE.

The End Came This Morning and Pneumonia Was the Cause—Was an Old Resident and a High Member of the Masonic Order—Bay View Mills Close.

Beloit, Dec. 23.—[Special]—George B. Maynard, an old resident of Rock county, and a high Mason, died at his home in this city today of pneumonia, aged sixty-seven years.

Mr. Maynard was a harness maker, having his place of business at 313 West Bridge street. He had made Beloit his home for many years. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Bay View Steel Men Idle.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 23.—The Illinois steel company's plant at Bay View is shut down, with the exception of the eight and twelve inch mills. It was expected that there would be steady work all winter.

GO DOWN IN THE WRECK.

Four Failures Reported at Chicago Tuesday.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Four more failures were recorded as a result of the suspension of the National Bank of Illinois. The American Brewing company, the George A. Weiss Malting and Elevator company and George A. Weiss made assignments in the county court late Tuesday afternoon. George A. Weiss is president of both corporations, and their business is closely connected. Weiss is a son-in-law of George Schneider, president of the National Bank of Illinois, and in the schedule of accounts made by the clearing house is shown to owe the bank \$500,000.

Criminal prosecution of the officers of the bank is threatened, and it was reported that action would be taken within a few days at the instigation of the comptroller of the treasury, acting under advice from Bank Examiner McKeon. It is understood that several of the officers are under surveillance. Some of the directors claim that they were not fully informed of the Calumet loans until Saturday, believing them to be nearly \$500,000 less in the aggregate than they proved to be.

Workmen Forming Colonies.

Lagrange, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Brotherhood of the Co-Operative Commonwealth is being established in Indiana and Michigan. This is a new movement among workmen to assist in the establishment of co-operative colonies, and in certain sections of the country has a large membership. It is said some prominent men are assisting in the movement through pure philanthropic motives.

Turks Killed by Insurgents.

London, Dec. 23.—An Athens dispatch to the Daily News says that a desperate fight occurred on Sunday at Prophetalias, in the Olympus district, between a Turkish detachment eighty strong, conveying an investigation committee of eight Turkish officials, and a Greek insurgent band. The whole of the Turkish committee and twenty-four of the Turkish detachment were killed, the insurgents losing only four killed.

Land Given Minnesota and Dakota.

Washington, Dec. 23.—An unusually large amount of land was given to the states of Minnesota and North Dakota Tuesday. Minnesota gained 69,681 acres in the Duluth district by the approval of a swamp list, and North Dakota gained 51,267 acres by the approval of lists of lands for purposes of the deaf and dumb school of mines, reform schools, state normal school and agricultural colleges.

Gas Works Explode and Burn.

Elyria, O., Dec. 23.—A terrible explosion occurred Tuesday evening at the gas works in this city. The entire north end of the building was blown out. Ralph Barnes, the gasmaker, and his assistant, Albert Young, were seriously burned. Barnes may lose both hands, if he recovers. Three children were playing about the place and received slight injuries. The loss by fire is about \$1,500.

Wood-Pulp Makers Organize.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—The wood-pulp manufacturers of Ohio, Illinois and Indiana met here Tuesday and formed an organization with the following officers: President, William Timberlake, Lafayette; secretary, Thomas Platter, North Vernon. The sole object of this organization is to maintain prices. Another meeting will be held in June at the call of the president.

Children Burn in the House.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 23.—Two children of Mrs. Christine Carlisle, at Wakefield—Tommy, aged 2, and Ruth, aged 4—were burned to death Monday night. The mother had locked them in the house and gone to a neighbor's to visit, and the house caught fire in her absence.

May Purchase Large Breweries.

Sandusky, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Representatives of English capital are in the city negotiating for the purchase of the plants of the Kuebler-Stang Brewing company.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS LIST.

**T. P. Burns' Guide For Purchasers of
Holiday Goods.**

"Relief for..."

THE JANESVILLE GAZETTE

THE OFFICIAL CITY PAPER

Entered at the postoffice at Janesville, Wis. as second class matter.

SAVE \$60,000,000 RIGHT THERE.

It cost the government \$63,000,000 to handle second class mail matter last year, and the net return was \$3,000,000. This large loss is due to the fact that second class privileges have not been confined to legitimate periodicals, but have been extended to advertising sheets, serial libraries, almanacs and to innumerable other forms of printed matter. There is certainly no good reason why the government should carry and deliver all of this stuff, which includes much that is positively pernicious, for a cent a pound, or less, when the actual cost is 18 cents. The plea of advantage to the people does not apply in the case; the loss of \$60,000,000 a year is not compensated by any public benefit. It goes without saying that congress should legislate the abuse out of existence and make it impossible for spurious and undeserving publications to profit by a privilege that belongs exclusively to regular and reputable newspapers. The most important question at the present time is that of increasing the revenue and putting an end to borrowing; and here is a chance to do effective work in that direction without touching the tariff, the currency or any other complicated and troublesome issue.

No pent-up Utica can hold Joseph Mitchell Chappelle. Why, then, expect it of Ashland? Mr. Chappelle bids Ashland farewell early in the year, gives up the active management of the Daily News and goes to Boston to add distinction and dash and individuality to a new magazine. His Wisconsin newspaper friends will express their regard at an elaborate farewell dinner.

The expert testimony in the Ashton case was good in its way, but things have changed since then. The fashionable defense in murder trials this winter is "physical epilepsy." The testimony of rival hypnotists as to the prisoner's susceptibility to fits in his soul should be very interesting.

General Weyer has 15,000 soldiers scattered along the trocha keeping the Cuban forces apart. Why he wants to keep them apart nobody knows. If he meant to whip them in detail there would be some sense in it, but the most he ever does is to burn a ranch or kill a flag of truce party.

The number of district schools where girls of sixteen have been engaged as teachers because they will "work cheap" furnishes fresh reason for prohibiting the issue of certificates to applicants under eighteen years.

Very burst of war talk kills hundreds of thousands of dollars of trade. In one of the principal reasons for the slump in the business revival is our Spanish-Cuban entanglement. The sooner the matter is settled the better for us, Cuba and for Spain.

Injudicious loans had nothing to do with Chicago bank troubles. The Chicago Press is to blame. Whenever the Press accumulates \$3,000 a financial panic, close at hand.

Green Bay may be congratulated over the fact that Editor Gardner has reconsidered his idea of selling the Gazette.

MORE ABOUT THE GRATIOT MURDER

The Man Who Was Killed Was Seeking His Brother

Edward Hale, the man who was murdered during a fight at Gratiot, was a young farmer of South Wayne, and was struck on the head with a cane in the hands of Dan Collins, proprietor of the hall. Hale was taken home and died twenty-four hours later from the effects of the wound. His skull was fractured. Hale went into the hall to get his brother, Lew Hale, who was mixed in the fight, when he was struck. Collins was arrested, and the coroner's jury implicated John Campbell, who, it is claimed, struck Hale with a chair. Both are in jail at Darlington charged with murder. The funeral of the murdered man was held at South Wayne yesterday and the interment was at Gratiot. He was thirty-two years of age and was never known to quarrel.

THE JUNIORS ELECT OFFICERS.

Leonard Mathews is Made President and Pearl Willey Secretary.

The Juniors of the High school held their annual business meeting for the election of officers this morning at the High school, the election resulting as follows:

President—Leonard Mathews.
Vice President—Fred Sutherland.
Secretary—Pearl Willey.

BOUGHT 400 CASES OF LEAF.

Big Lot of '94 Purchased by H. A. Child of Edgerton.

H. A. Child of Edgerton, was in town today, receiving Samuel Grundy's lot of '94, consisting of 400 cases of leaf, which he recently purchased. Grundy, of Edgerton, Ohio, are Grundy for

NOLAN BROS. STORE
FORCED BY CROOKSFRONT DOOR SPRUNG APART
LAST NIGHT.

Small Amount of Money Taken From The Drawer But the Cash in the Safe Was Not Reached—Police Found No Clue to Work On.

Bold thieves entered Nolan Brothers' grocery store, at 171 West Milwaukee street, during the night, and after ransacking the money drawer, they made good their escape. The theft was committed some time between the hour of 9:30 last evening and 6 o'clock this morning. After the usual day's business, the senior member of the firm placed \$200 in the safe, leaving in the money drawer small change to the amount of about three dollars, mostly pennies.

No light was left burning in the store, and the doors were locked.

When Thomas Nolan reached the store this morning he found that the doors had been forced in, the lock having been sprung. The money drawer was found half opened and the money was missing. Nothing else in the store was taken so far as is yet known. Sheriff Appleby, an Chief of Police Acheson were notified, and are now investigating.

TEAM KILLED IN RUNNING AWAY

Thomas Tobin's Horses Meet With a Fatal Accident.

Thomas Tobin's team will not run away again. They took their final run last night, and when they collided with a telegraph pole, one was killed, and the other had a leg broken.

Tobin was in town last night, and started for home early in the evening. This morning the team was found at the Spoon farm five miles west of this city. Whether or not Mr. Tobin was hurt is not known, but it is not thought that he was, as no notice to that effect has reached the city.

ATTENDED A SURPRISE PARTY.

Pleasant Gathering at the Home of Gordon Randall.

A very pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Gordon Randall, two miles west of the city, last night. A bus load went out from here. All reported a good time. They arrived home about 2:30 o'clock in the morning. The guests were:

Misses—
Edith Randall, Nellie Garlock,
Emma Hunter, Nettie Church,
Mettie Church, Nettie Garlock,
Belle Little, Clyde Randall,
Nellie Little.
Messrs—
Frank Barker, Fred Richter,
Will Alderman, Clinton Barker,
Charles Miller, Harvey Hathorn,
George Miller, Will Benedict,
Gordon Randall.

NEWS OF A LOCAL NATURE

The small boy now is very good With spirit meek and lowly, for he knows that Santa Claus will not bring him a bicycle, a gun, a pair of skates, a sled, a watch, a pony, a new knife, a fishing rod, and a polo stick, unless he makes his life quite holy.

SEAT, are out in force.

ANOTHER invoice of fancy china at Lowell's.

THE council will meet next Monday night.

BACK game, 25 cents. Look for good ones only.

A POCKET knife, Great line at Lowell's.

CLARK & Deane, to Chicago last evening a car of sheep.

EVERYBODY admiring ladder truck takes new hook.

TOBACCO arrived in a day for J. L. & M. F. had lots to-day.

ANOTHER large invoice of books in today at Lowell's 17 cent.

THE vestibule train pulls city this morning an hour late.

THE Hanson Furniture factory close tomorrow for the holiday.

THE Henrietta club have decided make their coming party a masquerade.

SHERIFF Appleby's new home South Main street is all ready for occupancy.

MORE fun than the measles, the new game "Rubber Neck." Lowell Hardware Co.

THE dental parlors of H. J. Wardlaw were damaged by the recent fire to the extent of about \$75.

A BABY boy has arrived at the Carlington street home of Mr. and Mrs. David Armstrong.

A CONSIGNMENT of corn left this city today, shipped by Kastner & Company to the Michigan pinneries.

EVERYBODY advertises dolls at cost, etc., but they are not in it with us. We are headquarters. Lowell Hardware Co.

ALL the latest styles in fancy stationery in dainty boxes for holiday gifts just received at W. J. Skelly's new book store.

A Special Wednesday Sale.

We shall offer all pocket books and leather goods at the following prices.

All 20 to 35 cent prices go at 19 cents.

All 40 to 65 cent prices go at 39 cents.

All 75 to \$1.00 prices go at 69 cents.

All \$1.25 to \$2.00 prices go at 99 cents.

All \$2.50 to \$4.00 prices go at \$1.49.

Bort, Bailey & Co.

IN THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW

Sidney S. Hart.

Sidney S. Hart, whose death was briefly announced in The Gazette last evening, was seventy-one years of age, having been born in Spencer, Cayuga county, New York, July 11, 1825. In the year 1846 he was married to Miss Abbie S. Cone at Groton, Tompkins county, New York. He lived in his native state until 1855, when he came to Wisconsin, settling in Dodge county, where he lived for two years. He then came to Rock county where he has lived ever since, residing in La Prairie for a number of years, although for some time past he has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Fredendall. He leaves an aged wife and two daughters, Mrs. Charles Youmans of La Prairie, and Mrs. Fredendall, at whose home he died.

Mr. Hart had been sick but one but one week and his illness only became serious within the last few days. The funeral will be held from the home at ten o'clock Thursday morning. Rev. H. W. Thompson, of the First M. E. church will officiate and the interment will be made at Emerald Grove.

Michael Cummons.

Michael Cummons, the man who was hurt in a runaway some days ago, died at his home on the Spalding farm at 8:30 o'clock last night, aged sixty-seven years. He leaves a widow and nine children, six daughters and three sons. Mrs. William Morrissey, of Edgerton; Mrs. Patrick Collins, Mrs. Michael Joyce and Mrs. Charles Collins, of this city; Mrs. Charles Hallett, of Indian Ford; Helen, Michael, John and Thomas James Cummons.

The funeral will be held from the home tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock and from St. Mary's church at 10:30. The interment to be in Mount Olivet cemetery.

Cunningham.

Jerome Cunningham received a telegram from his brother E. J. Cunningham, formerly of this city but now of Chicago, announcing the death of his week's old baby. The remains will arrive in Janesville Friday noon, and the funeral party will go directly to the cemetery from the depot.

A PROMINENT lady in the city asked this morning to see the \$3.50 box calf shoes we sold for \$2.85. She was as pleased with them as every one is that inspects them, and of course she bought a pair. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

WOMAN'S
EXCHANGE...

Luncheons every day. Home-made cooking, and all kinds of fancy work for sale.

2 S. Franklin St. Back of Sherer's.



A PARKER FOUNTAIN PEN.

would make a most acceptable present to most any person, man or woman. Our line is very complete.

PRICES.

\$1.00, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

LOWNEY'S .: CHOCOLATES,

One TWO and THREE POUNDS.

PALMER & BONESTEEL

Corliss & Ensign,

the new Freight and Baggage Line. Household goods moving a specialty.

Leave orders at Palmer & Bonesteel. drug store.

A Voice
From
The East.

In a private letter to M. Alden Morehouse, Specialist, 53 North Franklin street, Janesville, a gentleman writes: "I had not forgotten to report to you according to promise but have been waiting to know that my recovery was permanent and complete beyond the shadow of a doubt. Knowing the deep interest which you took in my case and the unselfish manner in which you worked for my relief after so many had failed I feel much pleasure in reporting to you that the treatment was effectual and my improvement constant and rapid from the first. My weight increased from 132 to 158 pounds and I now enjoy the most perfect health. In fact, I do not remember ever having felt so well. I feel that I owe much of the enjoyment of life (if not life itself) to the treatment which you prescribed. I sincerely hope you will be as successful in relieving suffering in the west as you have been in the east."

Gratefully Yours, FRED ARTHUR,

North Hebron, N. Y., Nov. 26, 1896.

MRS. SADLER,

Moved to 15 West Milwaukee Street, opposite post office

LADIES' and misses' leggins worth \$1.50 and \$1.75, only \$1 and \$1.25 at Richardson's.

THE BOSTON STORE,
Kandies.

300 lbs. fancy mixed candies, 7c lb.

300 lbs. broken candies, 10c lb.

300 lbs. pearl candies, 10c lb.

French mixed candies, all varieties, 20c.

Chocolate Creams, Caramels—delicious flavors, all kinds, 20c lb.

The Boston Store

7 and 9 S. River street.

TELEPHONE 239.

Open evenings until Christmas.

We Have It

No. 2 Nut Coal, \$6.00 ton

DELIVERED.

Cannel Coal for grates, Hocking Valley soft coal, best Illinois soft coal for steam. We are still selling all kinds of anthracite coal at Anti-Combine prices for Cash only.

Crossett & Bonesteel,

TELEPHONE NO. 238

Yours For
A Good Breakfast..

Nothing more appetizing these frosty mornings than fragrant, savory

Spring Brook Sausage

It's made from selected pork and catches the palate of select people. Fifteen cents a pound is all we ask for it; it's worth eighteen though. Sausages of all kinds. We make any of them good.

LARD.

Did you ever try our home made Lard? Nothing like it for purity. It's the making of it and the stuff in it that makes it good.

WM. KAMMER,

Corner Western and Center Ave.

Telephone 219.

DUNN BROS.

GREAT PREPARATION

In Xmas Groceries.

Better figure ahead on your Xmas dinner. Best eatables are none too good for that meal. We have specially nice things for the great holiday dinner.

Plum Pudding,

the finest kind, 10c per package.

Bulk Olives,

fancy, per quart, 15c.

Sweet Pickles,

mixed, per quart, 20c.

Fancy Chow Chow

in bulk, per quart, 20c.

Mustard Pickles,

in bottles, 10c.

Pickled Pigs' Feet,

a great relish.

Horse Radish,

fresh home grated, per glass, 10c.

Mixed Candies,

for Christmas, the finest kind, per pound, 10c.

Creams, Caramels,

Burnt Almonds, &c., home made, 20c lb.

Cal's Foot Jelly,

all flavors.

White Clover

Strained Honey, 25c pint.

German Prepared

Mustard, in bulk.

Selected Georges

Bank Cod Fish, White Clover Honey.

Elegant Imported Delicacies..

French Pears

and Plums, in glass, put up in Bordeaux, France.

Pickled Cherries,

Raspberries, Pineapples,

put up in London.

East India Gherkins.

Gross & Blackwell's Malt and Raspberry

English Vinegar, 25c bottle.

English Mustard, 25c bottle.

Pure Italian Olive Oil, 25c bottle.

Worcester Sauce, English, 25c bottle.

Pineapple Jam, 20c jar.

Gooseberry Jam, 20c jar.

Raspberry Jam, 20c jar.

Imperial Cheese, 18c bottle.

Cucumber Ketchup, 10c bottle.

Queen Olives, 10c bottle.

Eatables you will not find at other stores we have in our stock.

DUNN BROS.

123 W. Milwaukee street.

Telephone 179.

Last Chance Before Christmas

Do you realize? Have you purchased gifts yet? Many people have awakened to the fact that Christmas is near and are looking over our magnificent stock of goods. You would be surprised at the goodness and prettiness of the Watch you can buy for \$10.00.

All Priced
Watches

For all kinds of People.

Diamonds if you want them.

Jewelry, the daintiest and richest articles yet at reasonable prices.



Everware, Silver Novelties. Imported ware, China Pieces, Fancy Clocks, Pocket Books, Leather Goods, Toilet Articles, Umbrellas, Canes. Hundreds of things that are useful and pretty. We keep apace with the times in our stock.

A Pair of Spectacles for Christmas.

Send optic, and to be appreciated by the recipient. Mr. Hayes, our expert will fit them at any time after the holidays, if preferable.

F. C. COOK & CO.

We test the eyes free of charge.

Jewelers and Opticians.

INSANE MAN QUIT A SHOVELING JOB

SINDUSKY LEAVES THE
COUNTY ASYLUM.

Patient Who Was Trusted to Do Work in the Boiler Room Makes His Escape and Has Not Been Seen Since—Some Other City News.

JOHN SINDUSKY, an insane patient at the county building made good his escape and is now at large. Sindusky was received from the Northern part of the state and was not considered a dangerous patient. He was put to work in the boiler room shoveling coal but when meal time arrived he failed to appear. No trace of him has as yet been found.

CHRISTMAS is nearly here, and all who have neglected buying presents, have but little time left in which to do so. I have a very fine stock of furniture, from which you can find whatever you may desire. My prices were never as low as at present. Call and see my goods, as I enjoy showing them. All are welcome. W. H. Ashcraft, furniture and undertaking.

COME in tonight and see an entirely new display of neckwear. Our sales on fine neck furnishings have been immense for the last few days. Yesterday we sent in an order for an entire new line which came this morning. Handsome things in four in hands, tecks, puffs, bands, bows and club house ties. T. J. Zeigler.

FANS on the bargain table—100 of them in gauze and satin, white, black and colors; values up to two dollars, but for today and Thursday we offer choice of entire line at 50 cents. An excellent opportunity to procure a dainty gift for a little money. Drop in and look them over. Archie Reid & Co.

ONLY one more day for the purchase of Christmas gifts. You have put off purchasing presents perhaps. We have an assortment for your selection notwithstanding the fact that our trade has been rushing. New and beautiful articles are being added to our stock daily. F. C. Cook & Co.

THERE is a certain fashion in watches as in all other things. Hall, Sayles & Fifeild, "the reliable jewelers," display those of the best and latest style, and if your Christmas watch comes from them, you can depend on its being a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

I HAVE five swing rockers left at \$2.85 each. They have silk tapestry and pattern plush seats. Nothing would make a more acceptable present. Come and see them and you will be sure to buy. W. H. Ashcraft, furniture and undertaking.

You may select any atomizer selling at \$1.00 or over from our large stock, and we will fill it with Fragipennine cologne or Florida water for the price of the atomizer alone. Good until Thursday night only. Smith's pharmacy.

I HAVE a few of those birch, cabler seat rockers left, and \$1.75 buys one. If you want a nice present, at a small price, these rockers answer nicely. You will want them, when they are gone. Call and see them. W. H. Ashcraft.

MISS HARRIET TORRENS, formerly of this city, but now of Lake Geneva, will read a paper on "The Essentials in Teaching School Music" at the Wisconsin State Teachers' Association at Milwaukee, Dec. 29, 30 and 31.

"No, dear; it's no use trying to buy the jacket as cheap as Archie Reid & Co. will sell it to you, and then they give the privilege of an exchange after Christmas if it don't suit. Go there and then I know I will be suited."

THERE will be a Christmas service Thursday night and two Christmas trees for the children at the St. Paul's German Lutheran church. Services again Friday evening in the church.

THE annual ball of Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will be held New Year's eve, December 31, at the Light Infantry Armory. Smith's full orchestra will furnish music.

THE Christmas festival of Christ Church Sunday school will be held at the parish house tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock. All the little ones in the parish are invited to be present.

If you give no more than a silver thimble, buy it where they have all sizes and good styles. Hall, Sayles & Fifeild, "the reliable jewelers," carry an immense stock of thimbles.

THERE are many suitable things to give a child—and nice things which can be kept always—in the stock of Hall, Sayles & Fifeild "the reliable jewelers."

YOUR wife would appreciate a pair of those box calf shoes at \$2.85. Every lady needs this weight of shoes for cold weather. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

LEGGINGS in all sizes, and ladies' ice wool fascinators, either of them nice sensible Christmas gifts, at Helen Servatus', 21 West Milwaukee street.

DON'T you think your boy or girl would like a monoline or guitar. Large assortment; low prices. S. C. Burnham & Co.

FANS, the dainty empire styles, 100 new ones, light and dark, some with little miniatures in them. J. M. Bostwick & Sons.

A NEW boiler arrived in the city, consigned to William Kammer, proprietor of the meat market at Monterey.

Two cars of cattle left the city last evening for Chicago. They were shipped by Dawson & Co.

THIRD ward man was awakened at

midnight by the noise made by a "spooney" couple that had preempted his front verandah.

DR. E. F. WOODS was admitted to citizenship today, it being established that he had resided in this country ever since he was eighteen years of age.

JANEVILLE Chapter No. 69, O. E. S., will hold a regular meeting in Masonic hall, Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, at 7 o'clock.

THE using of Pearl White or Vienna flour once, means a second order. Every sack personally guaranteed. J. M. Shackleton.

ANY lady will be interested in our beautiful linen handkerchiefs on seeing them. Helen Servatus, ladies' furnishings.

A SPECIAL discount of 25 cents will be allowed on each fountain pen purchased Thursday morning at Smith's pharmacy.

LARGEST stock of fine pictures and frames of any house in the city. J. H. Myers' Art Store, No. 9 South Main street.

THE Girl's Social club will serve dinner Wednesday, Dec. 23rd in the Jeffries store on the bridge. Price, 25 cents.

EMBROIDERED flannels for the making up of infants' skirts for Christmas, at Helen Servatus, 21 West Milwaukee street.

CHRISTMAS baking will not be complete unless you use Pearl White flour; it's home made, and as good as the best.

SHOES as Christmas are sensible, why not spend your money in some such manner. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

WHAT's the matter with remembering your wife with steel range or a Garland heater for Christmas. Lowell.

HANDSOME display of silk mufflers received this morning. Don't fail to see them this evening. T. J. Zeigler.

ALL groceries at cost Wednesday and Thursday, at Munger's, 16 North Main street. See his card list, page 3.

ELIGANT holiday gifts at reasonable prices at the new book store of W. J. Skelly, 57 West Milwaukee street.

PRAYER books, Catholic and Episcopal, very appropriate for Christmas gifts, at Selly's new book store.

YOUR wife would appreciate one of those handsome banquet lamps S. C. Burnham & Co. have for Christmas.

VIOLET perfumes, toilet water or face powder make elegant Christmas gifts. At Smith's pharmacy.

THE last day—tomorrow—you'll have missed the main treat if you do not go to The Big Store.

BOOKS, books, books, two for 25 cts. Elegant cloth bound. J. H. Myers, No. 9 South Main street.

LADIES' and misses' leggings \$1 and \$1.25, each worth \$1.50 and \$1.75. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

OTHER stores charge you \$3.50 for the box calf we ask \$2.85 for. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

POCKET books, card cases and purses, a large line, all new this year, at W. J. Skelly's book store.

ALL groceries retailed at wholesale prices by Vankirk Grocery Co., No 12 South River street.

GENTS' bill books make a useful Christmas presents. Best assortment at Sutherland's.

CHRISTMAS comes the 25th the same as last year. Have you been to The Big Store yet?

MUNGER's cost grocery sale Wednesday and Thursday—cut price list on page three.

CHRISTMAS groceries at cost. See Munger's cost list for Wednesday and Thursday.

A GREAT many articles suitable for Christmas gifts for 25 cents, at Smith's pharmacy.

WATCH for our grand bicycle scheme, it will be worth investigating. Bennett & Gram.

MR. X—A new cloak would make your wife happy. J. M. Bostwick & Sons.

PRENTICE tooth powder used once, used always. Ask your druggist for it.

PICTURE sale Thursday at J. H. Myers' Art Store, 9 South Main street.

BEAUTIFUL sample towels, and so very reasonable. Archie Reid & Co.

FANCY perfume atomizer sale today and tomorrow at Smith's pharmacy.

THE latest line of ladies' pocket books at Sutherland's bookstore.

DON'T fail to examine the stock of albums at Sutherland's bookstore.

BEST patent flour in Janesville \$1.15 per sack. Vankirk Grocery Co.

Cut prices on atomizers today and tomorrow at Smith's pharmacy.

BEST potatoes 25 cents, best onions 42 cents. Vankirk Grocery Co.

SEE Bort, Bailey & Co's. ad. this evening, for Christmas bargains.

FEATHER boas, selling lots of them, low. J. M. Bostwick & Sons.

"I TAKE pleasure in recommending Outcream."—Adelaide Moore.

BEST granulated sugar 21 pounds \$1. Vankirk Grocery Co.

ICE cream for Christmas dinner at Shurtleff's. Order early.

Neckstiff and collar boxes at Sutherland's bookstore.

ANOTHER crate of Victor gold glassware at Lowell's.

SEE Queen Helen in Smith's violet window.

New lot linen tablets 5 cents each. Lowell.

Cut glass at cost. S. C. Burnham & Co.

TENNYSON'S poems at Lowell's.

MONEY to loan. S. D. Grubb.

STREET CAR BARN GOES UP IN SMOKE

THE POWER HOUSE TOTALLY
DESTROYED.

Loss is \$12,000 and the Building is in Ruins—Origin is Unknown But the Flames Started Near the Generator The Machinery and Coal Destroyed.

The Janesville Street Railway Company's power house, was destroyed by fire at 3:30 this afternoon.

Ten minutes after the fire was seen, the building was a mass of flame. Superintendent Cummins and Charles Reeder were driven from the building with burned faces and blistered hands, while trying to move the desk.

Nothing but an office chair and the cash box was saved.

Superintendent Cummins and his assistant were in the work shop when they noticed the generator slacken its speed. They stepped into the engine room and found the floor beside the big machine was blazing fiercely.

An explosion soon after the fire broke out threw the cylinder head of the engine across High street. Fred Schaller was hit and had his arm broken in two places above the wrist.

Engineer Andy Gibson was in the boiler room in the rear. They yelled to him and then hurried to the office to save what property they could.

One grabbed the cash box, another a heavy chair and got outside. They rushed back to save the desk with its accumulation of papers and got it as far as the door, but so swiftly did the flames spread that the two men had to let go their hold and run.

Not a moment was lost by the fire department in getting to the spot but the dry wooden partitions offered no check to the flames and little could be done but to prevent the destruction of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul freight house adjoining. At one time it was thought the depot would go, and preparations were made for getting the freight cars out of danger.

So quickly did the fire spread that Engineer Gibson had not time to grab his watch, which hung beside his engine.

Superintendent Cummins and Chief Spencer both called the loss total. The building cost about \$2,000, the dynamo \$7,000 and the engine \$3,000. About \$3,000 of property, aside from the machinery, was in the building.

The insurance aggregates \$5,000, Carter & Hazelton having \$3,500 and Hayner & Beers \$1,500.

A telegram was sent to George W. Blabon by Superintendent Cummins as the fire was under control.

"I am afraid Janesville will wait quite awhile before the street cars run again," said one of the street railway stockholders.

MRS. WELLS SEEKS A BILL OF DIVORCE.

CASE IS BEING TRIED AT LANCASTER.

Former Matron of the City Hospital Asks More Than Her Husband is Willing to Pay—Bower City Light and Power Co's. Affair Still in Court.

The divorce action of Mrs. Blanche Wells versus Byron D. Wells, is now on trial before Judge Clementson, of Lancaster. Mrs. Wells will be remembered as the former matron of the City Hospital but is now employed in the pension office at Milwaukee. The grounds alleged are failure to support cruel and inhuman treatment. The case was taken to Lancaster on a change of venue and the defendant seeks to reduce the amount of alimony claimed. Mr. Wells is now living near Milton. Winans & Russell and John Cunningham appear for Mrs. Wells and Fethers, Jaffris, Fifeild & Mount for the defendant.

All of the Bower City Light & Power Co's. claims have been consolidated in one section. The title of the case as fixed by Judge Bennett is: F. C. Cook vs. W. F. Hayes et al the defendants being Wilmer F. Hayes and Mary E. Doty co-partners under the name of the Bower City Light and Power Company.

Most of the testimony concerned claims held by various parties for labor or material. The court ordered that proceeding already taken in individual suits be considered as having taken in the new suit. Leave was given to amend pleadings as the several parties might be advised.

A. E. Badger was examined this morning as to mortgage held by F. C. Cook. Other witnesses were E. F. Carpenter, William Wallace, M. G. Jeffris and W. F. Hayes.

Sheriff sales in the cases of Sarah Mosher vs. Leonard M. Mosher et al and Nicholas & Sheppard Co. vs. E. T. Breed were confirmed on motion of Dunwiddie & Wheeler.

THE RUNAWAYS THREW HIM OUT

W. B. Davis, of Magnolia, Took a Lively Ride This Noon.

W. B. Davis, of Magnolia, was thrown headlong from his wagon, when the team ran into a tree in front of the Burpee residence on Pleasant street this noon, but escaped serious injury. Mr. Davis had just bought a new wagon of L. C. O'Brien, and as he started the team, one of the bits broke. The animals were spirited ones, and ran up the street. The collision brought their trip to an end with small damage.

WHERE PEOPLE WERE TODAY.

WILLIAM T. KING is in the city.

N. B. ROBINSON was at Stoughton.

J. G. RIDER was up from Rockford.

GEORGE DOWER spent yesterday in Chicago.

A. W. DIBBLE, of the "Cut Off city," was in town.

CITY Attorney J. C. Rood, was up from Beloit.

P. L. HINRICHS is able to be out, after a severe illness.

GEORGE HATCH spent yesterday at his home in Elkhorn.

A. R. LONGLEY and wife of Delavan spent the day in town.

MISS NETTIE WOLF of Evansville, spent the day in the city.

P. E. LONGLEY has returned, after a business trip to Chicago.

MR. and Mrs. I. F. Dunwiddie have returned to Park Ridge, Ill.

REV. V. E. SOUTHWORTH returned this morning from Shullsburg.

MRS. CHARLES BALLARD, of Baraboo spent yesterday with local friends.

REV. JOHN J. COLLINS was entertaining his brother from Darlington, today.

MRS. H. C. WILLITS returned home last evening, from a visit with friends in Clinton.

HARRY HINCKLEY is home from Chicago, where he is attending the Bennett Medical college.

ARTHUR WRIGHT, operator for the St. Paul road at Madison, spent the day with local friends.

WALTER HOUGHTON has received a letter from friends in Africa, saying that times are good in that country.

E. C. AND John Ennis arrived in the city this morning from Superior, to spend the holidays with with relatives.

EX-ALDERMAN and Mrs. W. J. Hemming are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy, weighing 12 pounds. All doing well.

JUDGE M. M. Phelps has returned from New York. He reports his son Frank as being much improved, and resting easy.

MRS. AL SELLECK and Mrs. J. E. Earle came up on the limited from Chicago last night, after spending four or five days in the city.

G. H. WILLIAMSON returned home last evening, after a successful seven weeks' trip in the northwest, in the interest of F. M. Marzluft & Company.

LEVI HEALEY of Fresno, California, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. St. John. Mr. Healey is at present taking a four year's course in medicine at the Ann Arbor university.

MR. and Mrs. St. John, now of Chicago, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. George Kastner. Mrs. St. John will be remembered here as Miss Henrietta Kastner.

WILLIAM BUCK of Louisville, Ky., who has been visiting relatives in this city for two days, left for home at noon. Mrs. Buck and Master Frank will spend the holidays with Mr. Buck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Connell.

EAT WEDDING FEAST TONIGHT

Janesville Men Will Be the Guests of G. B. Ingersoll of Beloit

C. C. Russell, H. J. Cunningham, S. M. Smith and J. V. Norcross will go to Beloit this evening to banquet with George B. Ingersoll. The feast will be served according to an agreement entered into some time ago, whereby each bound himself to banquet the others when he got married. Mr. Ingersoll was married but a few months ago, and will fulfill his promise tonight.

Closed For Christmas

Our store will not be open Christmas. J. M. Bostwick & Sons.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

Strength

Celebrated for its great leavening power and healthfulness. Assured to be pure and all forms of adulteration the cheap brands.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

News of the state

features of the

is but one. The Semi-

Milwaukee news service has

nots of this year never

reached in a Wisconsin

before

daily.

Deliver early.

The edition of the Sentinel

Thed to Janesville readers

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all Chicago and Milwaukee dailies.

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Household goods moved quickly, and

storing of all kinds attended to on short

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Office, Smith's Drug Store,

Residence, 202 Locust St.

A. J. BAKER STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY

FATAL RESULTS ARE LIKELY
TO FOLLOW.

The Attack Comes at Noon While He is Alone in His South Bluff Street Home—His Wife Finds Him There at 1 O'clock This Afternoon.

A. J. Baker, the well known insurance and real estate man lies at the point of death at his home on South Bluff street.

An attack of apoplexy suffered at noon seems likely to prove fatal. Mr. Baker had been in poor health for several days. He had complained of pain in the head ever since Monday. About 11 o'clock this morning he went to the Janesville Barb Wire Company plant, leaving his office in charge of Mrs. Baker. She heard him whistle a tune about 10 minutes of 12, as his custom had been at dinner time, and so knew that he had finished his Barb Wire Company business. She went to dinner expecting to meet him at the boarding house, but he had not arrived. After dinner, therefore, Mrs. Baker went home to see if her husband was there. She found him sitting in a chair, unconscious.

Drs. Judd and Loomis were called at once, and were with him all the afternoon, but at 3:30 he was still unconscious. His strength seemed to be failing.

Herbert Baker, his son, is clerk in the Clifton House, Chicago. He was called by telegraph at once.

Mr. Baker is fifty-nine years of age, and has been a well known figure in Janesville for years.

Make Christmas Merry, with..... Song and Music.

S. C. BURNHAM & CO., Jewelers and Music Dealers.

MRS. G. H. HOLLIDAY, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

Special attention to diseases of women and children.

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A GREAT REDUCTION

—ON—

Xmas Goods

Hats, Caps, Mittens, Gloves, Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Underwear, Neckties, Fancy Shirts, Etc.

for the next two weeks.

Sensible presents are always appreciated.

urs are sensible.

L. FORD & SON, Tailors and Furnishers.

R. R. POWELL, DENTIST.

HOURS: 9 to 12 a. m. 1 to 5 p. m.

Over Mrs. Woodstock's millinery store, West Milwaukee Street.

Meat Bargains at White Market.

60 South River Street. Opposite Bank. Per Lb.

Veal Chops, 8 & 10c

Veal Cutlets, 12c

GEO. ERANBRACK, Prop.

A Bound Volume of Magazines for Christmas....

Haven't you a friend who would appreciate such a present? Harper's Scribner's, Century, or any magazine of similar size, bound in half sheep with marbled sides, 50c; half roan with cloth sides, 65c.

GILT LETTERING on books, card cases, etc., for Christmas gifts.

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The Northwestern line has arranged for a personally conducted tour through Mexico, under the auspices of Mr. J. J. Grafton, the well known tour manager. The party will start at Chicago on February 2, 1897, in a vestibule train of palace sleeping cars, observation cars and dining cars, which will be their home for the entire trip. During the tour, which will consume thirty days, all of the cities and almost every place of interest in this wonderful country will be visited. To accommodate those who do not wish to remain longer than thirty days, arrangements will be made for the extension of the time limit of tickets. Illustrated pamphlets and full information, as to rates, etc., will be furnished on application to agents, Chicago and Northwestern Ry.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, and invariably reliable, the qualities of One Minute Cough Cure. It never fails in colds, croup and lung trouble. Children like it because it is pleasant to take and it helps them. C. D. Stevens.

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On December 24, 25, 31, 1896, and January 1, 1897, the Chicago & Northwestern Railway will sell excursion tickets at low rates to points on the Northwestern line and Union Pacific system within 200 miles of selling station, good for return passage until January 4, 1897 inclusive. For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & Northwestern Railway.

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Tool box that would make for present for

He Raised Coffee in Kentucky.

Kentucky coffee is likely to appear in our home markets. One good sized crop has been raised in the Blue Grass State, and next year the experiment is to be tried on a larger scale. The Rev. Jacob Newland, an "old school Baptist" teacher living at Hammack, Garrard



REV. JACOB NEWLAND

county, is the pioneer of Kentucky. Last year he planted 160 grains. It was wholly unexpected, but the coffee bushes experienced with wonderful rapidity and he came to harvest his crop, he then pecks of coffee, more than enough to supply his whole family for the year.

"Excuse me," observed the man, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where the liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear De Witt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him." C. D. Stevens.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well tried remedy Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children's teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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The length of life may be increased lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. C. D. Stevens.

Could Account for Part of It.

"What becomes of the gold anyhow?" demanded the excited individual in the corduroy waistcoat.

"I know what has become of 50 cents' worth of it," responded one of the men in the group. "I paid a dentist eight dollars for putting it in a bicuspid yesterday."—Chicago Tribune.

Setting Him Right.

"I understand that you have some intellectual canines here," said the learned professor with a pleasant smile to the proprietor of the show.

"Now, we haven't got nawthin' of the kind. This is a high moral exhibition give by nine educated dogs."—Detroit Free Press.

Just the Same.

Tommy—Mamma, the ice cream I put on my burned hand didn't do me a bit of good.

Mother—Ice cream! Why, my dear child, I said cold cream.

Tommy—Well, ma, isn't ice cream cold cream?—N. Y. Tribune.

A Correction.

"I should have brought my umbrella," remarked Mrs. Liveway, a member of the Chicago Literary society.

"Brung?" asked Mrs. Laker, in a gentle, correcting tone.

"How stupid of me! Of course I meant 'brang'."—Bay City Chat.

More Room.

Young Mrs. Fitts—The Trolleybys have such a jewel of a hired girl. Their floor is actually clean enough to eat off.

Young Mr. Fitts—By George, that ought to be right handy when he has carved a duck. —Indianapolis Journal.

Requires Ability.

Mr. Brown—George, you are a born nat.

Mr. Brown—What makes you think so? to Brown—The way you manage people's opinion of other people. —Brooklyn Life.

"Perfuming Yourself. est weigbu would prefer the heavy. "I think I'll have a girl wld. You see, I'm courting with a nather is experimnt. Plain Dealer, nance." —Cleveland

Horizo

"Are you a longevity. longevity?" "A remarkable for. "Indeed they a. grow to be 30 or some of them. City Chat.

Excessive Sh.

Mrs. Casey—It's a a. we're after havin', Mr. L. sickness Dolan—Thru for yez. An' people are doin' no. Casey. doied before. —N. Y. World

The old lady was right. said, the child might die if they she for the doctor. She saved theed one's life with a few doses of Oade ute Cough Cure. She had used group before. C. D. Stevens.

The Veteran "Cop"

"Tell me about Kip Van Winkle, pa." "I don't know anything about him except that he slept 20 years."

"Was he on the police force all that time?"—Town Topics.

Simple Enough.

"How is it that Hoply goes everywhere and never catches any of the contagious diseases?"

"He's a New York detective on his vacation."—Detroit Free Press.

The Final Test.

"That couple in the next flat seem fond of each other."

"Yes; he lets her try to shave him." —Chicago Record.

Had Been in Them Before.

Father—I am going to tan your hide. Son—I don't like these "skin" games —Town Topics.

The doctor may be a good old man, but even so, medical examinations and "local application" treatment are abhorrent to every modest woman. They are embarrassing—often useless. They should not be submitted to until everything else has been tried. In nine cases out of ten, there is no reason for them. In nine cases out of ten, the doctor in general practice isn't competent to treat female diseases. They make a branch of medicine by themselves. They are distinct from other ailments. They can be properly understood and treated only by one who has had years of actual practice and experience in this particular line. This is true of Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalid's Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y. Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a remedy for all derangements of the reproductive organs of women, has been in actual use for more than thirty years. It cures every form of "female weakness."

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DR. LOUIS DERDIGER, Oculist and Optician, Will be at Grand Hotel, Janesville WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.



Returning one day every month thereafter, after Dr. Louis Derdiger, founder of the Masonic Temple Optical Institute, Chicago, proprietor of Pine Glen Farm Health and Summer Resort of Wisconsin, and President and consulting oculist and optician of the Wisconsin Optical and Ophthalmic Institute of Oshkosh, will give consultation, examination and advice free at his offices.

Dr. Derdiger has made regular visits to the same established offices in Wisconsin for years, and has demonstrated the fact to the medical profession and to the people, that he straightens cross-eyes without an operation, restores the sight in the most complicated cases of distorted and defective vision, cures chronic eye diseases, headache, nervousness, blinking, frowning, sore, weak, painful eyes, drooping, inflamed eye lids, itching, smarting, red eyes, scum or floating specks before the eyes, tired, sleepy feeling and muscular insufficiency causing St. Vitus dance, dizzy fainting spells, nausea, sleeplessness, and neuralgia in any part of the body, with his combination, prismatic, spherocylindrical glasses scientifically fitted to the visual centers and all meridians of the eye.

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A Handsome Complexion is one of the greatest charms a woman can possess. FOSCO'S COMPLEXION POWDER gives it.



For ball gowns diaphanous materials are certainly in the ascendant. Tulle is first favorite. Then come all the various kinds of gauzes, mousselines de soie, india crapes and liberty silks. Nondancers may appear in thicker stuffs—satin and silks—but these have a slight train.

Plain tulle, plaited over satin and trimmed with puffings or with plaited ruffles, composes some exceedingly pretty ball costumes. Delicate garlands and edgings of flowers are also employed for decoration on both skirt and bodice, and separate, crin-



bled flower petals are mixed with lace and gauze, not only in the trimming of dancing gowns, but to entirely form evening capes, in which ostrich plume is also seen. Fabrics in which threads and bands of metal are interwoven, in gold, silver and iridescent shades, are one of the last fancies of the mode and are made into dazzling costumes. Spangled and jetted tulle and gauze are also seen in abundance.

Dinner gowns are very rich and costly and are lavishly adorned with lace, passementerie, embroidery and jeweled effects in buttons and buckles, while fur, which is growing more and more fashionable, enters largely into their adornment in bands and other forms. It would be difficult to think of any sort of costume in which fur may not now appear. Among the articles for out of door wear which are made of it are voluminous cravats—boas is hardly the word—having a broad band passing around the neck and a perfect cataract of tails bunched together in front. Another variety has two loops and two ends in front, clasped with jeweled motifs, but this is decidedly clumsy. Fur is not a material to be looped, draped and tied, nor does it form a suitable ground for embroidery and applied ornament. It must be kept smooth and flat to be effective in the best way.

Among the numerous articles of attire named for the czarina of Russia is the capote shown in the illustration, which is one of the newest French models. The frame of the capote is covered with green beaded work and forms a diadem in front. Bunches of violets with leaves, black feathers and a large chon of emerald green velvet form the trimming.

THE WOMAN OF TODAY.

Bachelor Maids—Why There Are More Now Than Formerly.

In France they have a way of saying that women who remain unmarried "dress St. Catherine's hair." If St. Catherine lived in America, she would now have more ladies' maids than she could well keep occupied, for unmarried women are as thick as blackberries. At first glance this may seem an undesirable state of things, and surface observers, who give the matter no real attention, base upon it the assumption that the increasing busi-



ELEGANT COSTUME.

ness and professional opportunities of women have given them a distaste for the responsibilities of wifehood and motherhood. Now, it may be justly advanced that a woman knows more about the feelings of her own sex than any man can, and it is quite certain that no woman who is really in love will be prevented from marrying by personal ambition. While it is true that the proportion of unmarried women is larger than it formerly was, this is due to the fact that a generation ago there were few resources for women except marriage. They married for a living, having few other ways of obtaining it. Those who remained unmarried were dependents, as a rule, and more or less despised for their supposed inability to capture a husband. Now there is no such thing as the typical "old maid," although there are unmarried women galore. Having other resources for a living, they are not obliged to marry, and if they are not fortunate enough to meet some one for whom they really care there are plenty of opportunities and abundant means of being quite independent.

The pessimistic of social economists would hardly say that the sum of human happiness is increased by unloving marriages, and we may be quite certain that marriages for love are no less common than they ever were.

Whether a woman is married or not she usually wants to look pretty and is therefore interested in clothes. An illustration is given of a gown of white silk with a damask pattern of roses. The skirt is untrimmed. The belted bodice has a mesh bolero of silver gray lace veiling, forming a box plait at the back, at the top of which is a box fastened with a paste buckle. There are velvet sleeves draped at the top.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

Of Some Value.

He was describing a recent invention that he considered particularly wonderful.

"It is a photo-micrographic apparatus," he said, "and will photograph things so small as to be invisible to the naked eye."

"I'm so glad," she returned. The promptness of the reply and its character rather staggered him. He could not see exactly what occasion she had to be joyful over the invention, and he suggested as much.

"My dear," she explained, with that new-woman air that she knew was particularly irritating to him, "you have no idea how I have longed for something with sufficient power to record some of your good resolutions."—Chicago Post.

Turned the Tables.

One day a member of a great legislative body was conversing with a gentleman when another member came up.

"Allow me," said the first member, "to introduce you to Mr. Blank, the man who has written more stupidities than any other living person."

"Ah," said the second member, "an editor?"

"No; he's the official stenographer of the house!"—Detroit Free Press.

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Painful diseases are bad enough, but when a man is slowly wasting away with nervous weakness, the mental fondlings are ten times worse than the most severe pain. There is no let up to the mental suffering day or night. Sleep is almost impossible and under such a strain men are scarcely responsible for what they do. For years the writer rolled and tossed on the troubled sea of sexual weakness until it was a question whether he had better take a dose of poison and thus end all his troubles. But providential inspiration came to his aid in the shape of a combination of medicines that not only completely restored the general health, but enlarged his weak, emaciated parts to natural size and vigor, and he now declares that any man who will take the trouble to send his name and address may have the method of this wonderful treatment free. Now when I say free I mean absolutely without cost, because I want every weakened man to get the benefit of my experience.

I am not a philanthropist, nor do I pose as an enthusiast, but there are thousands of men suffering the mental tortures of weakened manhood who would be cured at once could they but get such a remedy as the one that cured me. Do not try to study out how I can afford to pay the few postage stamps necessary to mail the information, but send for it, and learn that there are a few things on earth that although they cost nothing to get they are worth a fortune to some men and mean a lifetime of happiness to most of us. Write to Thomas Slater, Box 404, Kalamazoo, Mich., and the information will be mailed in a plain sealed envelope.

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At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.—Olagah, Ind. Ter. Chief.

This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventative of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and the grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale at C. D. Stevens' pharmacy, corner Main and Milwaukee streets.

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